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At the age of 20 he married Grace Nebeker of Tuba City, Arizona, in the St. George Temple. Soon after his marriage he moved with his wife to Keams Canyon Trading Post and for years had charge of the post. Here he learned the Navajo language and acted as an Indian interpreter. He was later appointed sheriff of Lincoln County, Nevada. He held that position seven years. While he was manager of the Navajo trading post and sheriff of Lincoln County he had to deal with many hardened criminals and desperate characters.

He next moved to Salt Lake City where he lived for about two years. Then he again moved back to Nevada and located on a large ranch near what is now Alamo and after raising the mortgage on this vast tract of land turned it over to colonization. Soon a small town sprung up at this place. He was then appointed bishop of the Alamo Ward in 1904 and served in that capacity faithfully and efficiently seven years. Due to his wife's poor health he again moved to Utah. Settling in Provo, he engaged in real estate. After the death of his wife in 1912 he moved to Wallburg, Utah.

Settling in this valley he engaged in the ranching and livestock, his favorite vocation. His activities here are well known to all. He was successful in raising a good grade of cattle and horses and had one of the finest farms and ranches in the county.

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Jim lived in Wasatch County longer than in any other place and loved it and its people. Although advised by many doctors to move to a lower altitude on account of his health he preferred to remain here to live and die with his many intimate friends and family. He took a keen interest in public affairs, giving freely his time and means to further the interests of the public. He served as a member of the Wasatch County school board. He handled the job very well. He was a livestock inspector for the Intermediate Credit Bank of Berkeley, California, and for the Wasatch Loan Association of Salt Lake City. He is best known in Wasatch County for his activities in livestock associations. He was president of the Wallburg Livestock Association. For many years he was a director in the Strawberry Grazing Company. During the time when the Strawberry Grazing Company was leasing the reclamation lands he was a member of the executive committee and was in charge of the grazing of those lands for many years. He died June 2, 1933, of a heart attack while doing his evening chores. He was buried at Provo, June 6, 1933.

Leone Ford Allen was born April 30, 1895, at Wallburg, Utah, to William Ford and Eliza Ann Gurr. She received her education at Wallburg School, Proctor Academy, Provo, and attended the University of Utah on a four-year scholarship. She was very active in the LDS Church. She was first counselor in the YWMIA, secretary of the Sunday School, and a counselor in Relief Society. She helped organize the Wallburg Camp of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers and was president for several years. It was the Maple Leaf Camp. Leone was very active in ward activities. She took part in many ward plays and was very prominent in public speaking. Leone was a substitute teacher in the Wallburg School whenever she was needed and was active in the PTA and served as an officer more than once. She died at home August 15, 1952, of heart disease and was buried at Provo, Utah, August 18, 1952.

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Cattleman

Horseman

Linguist

Trading Post Mgr.

Sheriff in Nevada

✓ *Bishop "*

Livestock Inspector

Pres. " Assn.

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George Thompson Baker was born in Des Moines, Iowa, February 20, 1847, a son of George and Rhoda Ann Thompson Baker. Married Ellen Maria Wagstaff December 12, 1870 in the Endowment House in Salt Lake City. She was born July 15, 1852, at Caldicutte, Bedfordshire, England, a daughter of Samuel and Lucy Webb Wagstaff. George died Feb. 25, 1927 at Chapin, Idaho, and Ellen Maria died Nov. 21, 1925 in American Fork.

In the year 1850 George T., his mother,

father and twin brother, John T. came to Utah and settled in Tooele. When John was six years of age he died and was buried in Tooele.

George T. helped his father, for he was the oldest in the family. They boiled the water of Great Salt Lake near Black Rock to get salt for domestic use. He often went with his mother to gather sego bulbs for food. In 1865 the family moved to American Fork. His father was a blacksmith and George learned the trade.

George joined in the Black Hawk War and fought the Indians. He learned to speak the Indian language quite well.

Ellen Maria and her family embraced the gospel in England and as soon as they could save enough money, came to America on a sailing vessel, which took about six weeks. Ellen walked most of the way to Utah where they arrived after many hardships, in Oct. 1862. They soon went to American Fork where they did farming.

Ellen had very little schooling but was very adept in every kind of household task and sewing. After their marriage, George and Ellen built an adobe home in American Fork.

Nymphus C. Murdock of Charleston had heard that George was an excellent blacksmith so he went to American Fork to urge him to come to Charleston where a blacksmith was badly needed. After a time George decided to go. They spent two days driving there. They lived over the Murdock store till George could build a home which they moved into in 1883. Ellen clerked in N. C. Murdock's store and George blacksmithed and farmed. Later they built a larger home and kept travelers. George prided himself on raising the best of everything to use on the table, including vegetables, small fruits and honey. He raised the first grapes in Charleston.

George worked to get free schooling for children through taxation. He believed in education and was determined his girls should have good schooling.

They were parents of three girls: Ellen Melvina, Lucy Amanda and Fanny Ladacy.

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Blacksmith
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Tooele
Blacksmith
Larquist
Pioneer
Hotel (inn)
Free Schooling

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Joseph Chenworth

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ATHA CARTER DAVIS AND
MARY ETT FORD

Atha Carter Davis was born March 11, 1860, son of John Meeks Davis and America Jane Overland. He married Mary Ett Ford, who was born April 9, 1863, at Wallsburg to Martin Ford Sr. and Zibiah Meriba

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Stoker Ford. She died April 24, 1947, and he died July 19, 1950.

Atha was a very good neighbor and would help anyone in need. He worked at the Whiterocks Indian Agency and was a blacksmith with the Indians when he was young. He was able to understand and speak the Ute Indian language and was an interpreter. He was a very good blacksmith and a farmer.

Their children are: Atha Earl, Parley, Alva and Ellis Martin.

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